

SOCIETY

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Benefit Affairs Now Dot The Calendar

Members Of Welcome Branch Book Club Will
Be Hostesses At Benefit Card Party

This is the time of the year when benefits spring up as plentifully as bright yellow crocuses in early spring gardens.

One benefit in particular, taking place on the terrace of the Frances hotel, February 1, will attract Monroe's card-playing public en masse. This

brilliantly on this week's calendar is the president's sixth annual birthday ball on the terrace of the Frances hotel. Although there will be six balls in progress throughout the city, the ball at the Frances hotel will be open to the general public. Other balls in various sections of the city, including the Virginia hotel, Selma field, the USO, the Three Mile Inn and Neville auditorium, will be arranged especially for officers and cadets and their dates."

Rudolph Ganz, world famous pianist, appearing here in concert February 1, promised to play at the navigation school for the benefit of aviation cadets who, under strict regulation will not be able to leave the post to attend the recital at Neville High school on Monday evening.

To all other members of the armed forces, there is offered a reduced admission fee. This gesture on the part of the sponsoring clubs is in line with the policy throughout the entire nation of showing certain deference to men in uniform. It is expected that there will be a large representation from among the military personnel.

A number of the men hastened to secure tickets soon after the first announcement of the concert appeared. There are talented musicians and music lovers in their ranks who expressed sincere delight when they were assured that Monroe is to have such an outstanding artist as Rudolph Ganz.

Emmet J. Lee, publisher of the Farmerville Gazette, is a patient in St. Francis sanitarium. Although his condition is not serious his illness is such that physicians are making a careful observation of his case.

Regular use of mildly medicated Cuticura Soap and Ointment, many nurses agree, helps relieve rashes and similar skin blemishes when externally caused. At all druggists.

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Firing on the enemy, or blowing up his bridges, the housewife's tablespoonful of waste fat makes a direct, belligerent contribution to winning the war. No nation can win a war without fats. In the last war, the British navy cut off Germany's shipments of fats from the East. That was one of the reasons Germany lost. In this war, America's imports of eastern fats are cut off by Japan. To help make up for the loss, it is up to American housewives to save at least 200 million pounds of waste fats each year. The tablespoon is more than a utensil—it's a weapon.

The president, Mrs. Crandall, asked that all members contact their police jury requesting the appointment of a juvenile officer for the community. She then called for the reading of the president's message by Mrs. F. L. Smith and the message of the state president, Mrs. Fagan Cox, by Mrs. Charles Guerrero, Jr. With the closing of the executive board meeting Mrs. Joe Durrett collected the question slips of "The Behavior Problem Clinic."

All members of the executive board attended the P.T.A. meeting later.

Misses Barbara Nan Corry and Mary Elizabeth Hicks entertained between the hours of 5 and 7 p.m., at the home of Mrs. W. E. Hixon of Mangham, for Miss Mary Mhoon Noble, who will become the bride of Lieutenant James E. Ball on the 26th of January. Assisting them in the courtesies were Mrs. E. Thomason of Alto and Miss Margaret Bahns of Hammond, La.

In the spacious living room the guests were greeted by Misses Mary Elizabeth Hicks and Barbara Nan Corry and Mesdames C. M. Noble, mother of the bride-elect, J. A. Ball, mother of the groom-elect, and W. H. Hicks, all becoming gowned in afternoon models and wearing beautiful gladioli corsages presented by the hostesses.

In the dining room at the lace covered table, scintillating with crystal and silver and florally adorned with pink and white camellias, presided Mesdames L. M. Mulhern of Alto and M. K. McConnell of Mangham. Delicious sandwiches, confections and spiced hot tea, were served.

Kitchen salvage starts where nutrition stops. A nation which needs stimulating action as shown above, just rub throat, chest and back with Vicks VapoRub at bedtime. Then... see how this family standby goes to work—2 ways at once—to relieve coughing spasms, ease muscular soreness or tightness—bring grand relief from dis-

tress! Its soothing medication invites restful, comforting sleep—and often by morning most of the misery of the cold is gone. Try Vicks VapoRub.

COUGHING SPASMS.—To relieve distress, melt a spoonful of VapoRub in a bowl of boiling water. Inhale the steaming, medicated vapors. Feel relief come right with the first breath!

Glycerine is the reason for fat salvage. The housewife saves fat and sells it to her butcher. Industry saponifies it, makes it into soap—from which glycerine is separated. In the form of explosives and camouflage coatings, or in gun mechanisms, ships carry glycerine to our fighting fronts.

If one tablespoonful of fat is saved by each housewife each day for one year, America's armed forces are guaranteed 20 million pounds of glyc-

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Mrs. J. E. Walworth, president of the Musical Coterie presided over the meeting of the coterie in the home of Mrs. H. H. Land on Friday afternoon. During the business session the discussion centered around final plans for the recital to be given by Rudolph Ganz on Monday, February 1. The coterie, along with other music clubs of Monroe, is turning its full attention toward making the appearance of Mr. Ganz an outstanding success.

Following the business session a program of music from composers of the romantic school was presented. Mrs. Louis Hullum brought to the club in vivid and interesting manner a paper entitled "The Early Romantic Composers and Their Problems." The paper served as a preface to the musical portion of the program which opened with Mendelssohn's "O Rest in the Lord" from the oratorio Elijah, impressively sung by Mrs. Briscoe Trousdale, Jr. Mrs. R. L. Prichard gave a charming performance of Schumann's "The Bird as Prophet" from Nine Wood Scenes for Piano. The program was concluded with a piano solo "Hungarian March" by Berlioz-Liszt, played by Mrs. B. Allbritton.

Tuesday—9 to 12 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m., service men's wives, American Legion home.

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RED CROSS CALENDAR SURGICAL DRESSING

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Two thousand dollars have been stolen in front of the Ritz theater. It was a size 28 Packard, serial number US1900, black and green in color, with a red luggage carrier.

to road or grass upon the right-of-way of any public street or highway during blackouts and it shall be the responsibility of the person in whose control and custody said animals are to remove said domestic animals and to return them to the public highway for the period of the blackout.

FIRES PUT OUT

Firemen were called out Sunday afternoon to extinguish a fire in a Mercury automobile owned by L. R. Jenny at Harrison and Catahoula streets. Cross ties were ignited by carelessness with matches at the Missouri-Pacific yards on Texas avenue and by burning grass near Louisville avenue. Grass fires were put out at Dixie and Dick Taylor streets, at 600 Hudson lane, and at Lover's lane and Riverside. A burst hot water tank was the cause of a run to 205 South Third street.

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Coming Events

Tuesday

Free public lecture on Christian Science delivered by Margaret Morrison, C. S., of Chicago, Ill., at Ouachita Parish High school auditorium. The public is invited, 8 p.m.

Program meeting of Business and Professional Women's club with Miss Gladys Miles, 605 K street, 8 p.m.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist church will meet in circles as follows:

No. 1, Mrs. W. F. Carson, 4008 Lee Pargow drive, No. 3, Mrs. W. N. Brannon, 805 South Third, No. 4, Mrs. H. A. Scott, 308 Morris avenue; No. 3, Mrs. L. T. Hastings, 1410 South Grand; No. 6, Mrs. W. H. Steen, 509 Oak street; No. 7, Mrs. Walter Rhodes, 304 Louisville avenue; No. 8, Mrs. S. A. Brown, Nye street, West Monroe; No. 9, Mrs. S. B. Archibald, 607 Erie; No. 10, Mrs. O. M. Grisham, 1908 Riverside; No. 11, Mrs. L. W. Battin, 202 Neuwirth; No. 12, Mrs. A. L. Peters, 206 E. Bennett, Avenue; No. 13, Mrs. E. A. Serex, B. A. Trousdale, Jr., 2304 Gornal, and Henry Whifield.

MOTIONES AND RESOLUTIONS

Report of R. Dean Farr.

Geo. D. Holland, Secretary, Chamber of Commerce.

Report of Mrs. Jewel L. McQuiller, Demonstration Agent.

Hon. Sam Jones, Governor of Louisiana.

MOTIONES AND RESOLUTIONS

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Motion adopted.

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BISHOP GRIBBIN NOTED DIVINE

Has Had Versatile Experience Following His Ordination

The Right Rev. Robert Emmet Gribbin, D. D., bishop of western North Carolina, is a native of South Carolina, born in Windsor, that state. Graduating from the Military College of South Carolina, he taught for two years in the public schools, following which he was graduated in 1909 with the A. B. degree from the College of Charleston. Three years later he graduated from the General Theological Seminary, New York. In addition to college courses, Bishop Gribbin took special studies at both Harvard and Columbia in psychology and philosophy.

Following his ordination to the priesthood in 1913, he served as assistant in St. Luke's church, Atlanta, from 1915 to 1916, and thereafter was rector of St. James' church, Wilmington, N. C., from 1917 to 1921, when he became rector of St. Paul's church, Winston-Salem, N. C., where he was serving when he was elected bishop of western North Carolina in 1934.

Bishop Gribbin saw a year's service overseas as chaplain of a North Carolina regiment. In Wilmington he was president of the Associated Charities, and in Winston-Salem he was chaplain of the American Legion, a member of the executive committee of the American Red Cross, secretary of the diocese, and a prominent Mason.

**30 ENEMY ZEROS
ARE SHOT DOWN**

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tack and dive-bombers went in to set the cargo ship afire.

The record-breaking day began when Douglas dive-bombers escorted by Grumman and Alacrobats attacked nine Japanese destroyers northeast of Vella Lavela. They scored hits, two of which, the fliers said, must have "ripped them apart."

In the afternoon, Boeing Flying Fortresses destroyed by Alacrobats, Curtiss Warhawks and Lockheed Lightnings attacked again but had to be content with only near misses.

The Alacrobats and Warhawks, however, shot down 11 Zero fighters. At Foss "Flying Circus," a flight which often has shot down 60 Japanese planes, went into action in the late afternoon.

Foss' personal collection included two Zeros which he shot from the tails of two of his buddies.

Another ace was born when Captain Francis E. Pierce, Jr., of Coronado, Calif., shot down three Zeros to bring his total to five.

"I never had so much fun," Captain Pierce said. "The first came head on and I got him before he could get me. The second did a snap roll right out in front of me and I just picked him off. I got on the tail of the third and smoked him into the water."

Before these fights, Pierce saw blood running down his legs. He had been hit four times by fragments.

After the combat, he found one aleron had been shot away. He just managed to reach the Guadalcanal coast where he parachuted down and was picked up by a destroyer.

Three Zeros also went down before Lieutenant Lloyd G. Huff, Mount City, Kans.

Lieutenant Richard Rivers of Fort Worth, Tex., Lieutenant R. D. Kennedy of Chicago, Lieutenant M. L. Smith of Kidder, Mo., and Lieutenant Allen S. Webb of Lexington, Ky., each shot down two Zeros.

The bag of Japanese included three types of Zeros—the new type two, the float type and the old Zero.

The Grumman and dive-bombers were piloted by marines; the other planes were flown by army pilots.

It is estimated that America's motor vehicles are riding themselves off the road at the rate of 3½ per cent a month.

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Chronic bronchitis may develop if your cough, chest cold, or acute bronchitis is not treated and if you cannot afford to take care with any medicine, leave potent the Cremonulsion which goes right to the seat of the trouble to help loosen and expel germ laden phlegm and aid nature to sooth and heal raw tender inflamed bronchial mucous membranes.

Cremonulsion blends beech wood creosote by special process with other time tested medicines for coughs. It contains no narcotics.

No matter how many medicines you have tried, tell your druggist to sell you a bottle of Cremonulsion with the understanding you must like the way it quickly allays the cough, permitting rest and sleep, or you are to have your money back. (Adv.)

NOTED BISHOP



RT. REV. E. R. GRIBBIN

BISHOP GILMAN KNOWS CHINESE

His Experiences In Hankow To Be Told In Local Convention

Leaving China with deep reluctance, the Right Rev. A. A. Gilman, D. D., bishop of Hankow, China, headed the group of Episcopal church missionaries who were repatriated on the S. S. Gripsholm, reaching New York August 25, after a journey of 18,000 miles.

Bishop Gilman was consecrated Suffragan bishop of Hankow in 1925, succeeding Bishop Roots in 1937. At the time of his consecration he was head of Boone college, Wuchang, he was in China since 1902, leaving his birthplace, North Platte, Neb., in September of that year, to take up his long term of missionary service. From 1924 to 1929 Bishop Gilman was acting head of Central China college of which Boone is now a part. He has been active not only in the present war, but in previous disturbances. Back in 1926 he was for more than a month under siege in Wuchang, where he had charge of non-combatants and was president of the Wuchang Society for the Relief of Women and Children.

In the present war, he has administered his diocese and kept work going wherever possible, as well as being engaged actively in relief work. Few people are better qualified to speak of China than Bishop Gilman, with his long years of residence there, his familiarity with the language, and his constant supervision of the church's work in religious ministry, schools, colleges and hospitals.

The lesson taught by this literature is that Russia's war is a nationalistic fight for life, not a gallant defense of the freedom which Fascism, like Communism, strives to annihilate; that Russia does contemplate a Communist revolution in Europe; when it is won and that the relationship between the United States and Russia is not one of political comradeship but of military alliance in a war against a common enemy of two distinct nations.

Shortly after disembarkation in New York, Bishop Gilman spoke most hopefully of the future, and expressed a strong desire to return to China to share in the rapid development of the church which he sees as certain, after peace is restored. He speaks in the highest terms of Chinese Christian leadership and believes the Chinese church will carry on through the present distress, though with great difficulty, and that when help can again be given by the American church, there will be a tremendous growth of Christianity in all parts of China.

The program for Tuesday and which is preliminary to the convocation which formally opened a two-day session Wednesday, will be as follows:

10 a.m.—Meeting of bishop and council.

1 p.m.—Dinner of Church club of Louisiana, Grace church parish house, with the presiding officer, J. A. Wilson, and the speaker, the Right Rev. Alfred A. Gilman, D. D., bishop of Hankow, China.

9:30 p.m.—Compline service at Grace church, Rev. Arthur M. Sherman, Jr., officiating.

SWIFT STROKES VIEWED AS WAY TO BEAT JAPS

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planned the troops and evacuated casualties."

The range of operations opened up by this coordination of air and land forces "will permit the application of offensive power in swift, massive strokes rather than the dilatory and costly island-to-island advance that some have assumed to be necessary in a theater where the enemy's far-flung strongholds are dispersed throughout a vast expanse of archipelagoes," he added.

A British broadcast reported by the OWI said that rapid reconnaissance units of the Eighth army had crossed Tunisia's eastern frontier. The BBC cited reports from North Africa as the source for its announcement.

"Our troops continued their advance to the west," said British headquarters in Cairo, without stating the specific extent of yesterday's gains.

Allied airmen striking from the east attacked the port of Zuara 65 miles west of Tripoli and ranged as deep as 60 miles into Tunisia to blast at Rommel's communications and air field facilities. An Axis merchant ship was reported broken in two, another fired and a destroyer damaged north of Sicily during a series of aerial sweeps across the central Mediterranean.

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So Joe wanted a look at the available figures on necessary cost of living.

The latest revision of the bureau of labor statistics' "maintenance level" was for September 15, 1942. This standard was figured for 33 cities, allowing for regional variations in costs.

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What kind of living does this provide for Joe wanted to know.

The "maintenance level" is based on a computation of the WPA defined as the minimum of "subsistence level" (or "emergency level") of relief budgets, but below the standard of the skilled worker.

It is stated that it doesn't "approach the content of what may be considered a satisfactory standard of living."

This "maintenance" figure covers food, clothes, housing, fuel and light for a hypothetical family consisting of a manual worker (one who wears overalls at work), his wife, a boy of 13, a girl of 8.

It provides for no household help, no automobile. This family would rent a four or five room apartment or house, with gas, electricity and a small radio; use ice for refrigeration; read a daily newspaper, go to the movies once a week.

The food is figured for "an adequate diet at minimum cost."

This family would pay for its own medical care. No savings other than life insurance are figured in.

Everyone's situation is different, of course, we told Joe. But in most cases the war is going to mean a lower standard of living. And a lot of war workers getting much more than they ever earned before are going to find themselves pinned down by the fact that the amount of goods and services they can buy keeps getting smaller.

Secretary of Agriculture Wickard, asking all civilians to accept rationing as "part of the price of victory," declared in his annual report that to let the United Nations' fighters down "would let us all down—in a hurry."

"Much more sacrifice than we make as yet would not cut seriously into our nutrition or put us on a par with our Allies in privation," Wickard said.

The OPA indicated that butter and cheese probably will be added to the list of rationed foods, along with meat, soon after the point rationing system is set up for canned foods about March 1.

As the treasury drafted a proposal to put income tax payments on a pay-as-you-go basis, the Brookings Institution, a private research organization, came out in support of a federal retail sales tax, asserting such a levy would distribute the burden "more widely over the population."

Representative Disney, Democratic, Oklahoma, of the house ways and means committee which this week will start casting about for an additional \$16,000,000 in revenue, also called for a sales tax.

We are mighty proud of one of our GSO girls—what with getting her picture in the paper and all—some gal, we say.

What girl in the GSO says she is

in the army?

they say:

"HAY BURNERS" for cavalry horses

"JUGHEAD" for the Army mule

"CHICKENS" for the eagle insignia of a colonel

"CAMEL" for the Army man's favorite cigarette

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with America's expanding army, including Red Cross personnel with every American force on foreign soil, service clubs in Iceland, the British Isles and Australia, and field directors and staff in more than 700 military and naval stations in this country.

Blood donor service, which will supply 2,500,000 units of plasma to fighting men this year, the nurse enrollment program which seeks to enlist 3,000 nurses per month, the surgical dressing program, supplying millions monthly to the war department, and the training of 40,000 nurse aides also were noted among the services directly connected with the war effort.

"On the home front, in the field of civilian war aid, the Red Cross has already established its responsibilities by agreement with the Office of Civilian Defense," stated Chairman E. C. Gibson. "In the event of hostile attack, the Red Cross is prepared to bring an operating organization based upon 61 years of experience in coping with the relief of civilian victims of the country's great natural disasters."

The early portion of the conference was devoted to Red Cross activity in general, and the remainder to the discussion of war fund plans for this locality.

Twenty-one Axis planes were shot down in these raids, three ships were sunk and many enemy vehicles were shot up, the communiqué said, at a cost of seven Allied aircraft.

Advices from Cairo yesterday suggested the possibility that advance elements of the British Eighth army might already have crossed into Tunisia at some points, although the Cairo communiqué said merely that the British were in contact with enemy rearguards well west of Tripoli.

One of its motors seemed to be failing, he said, and a large white article, like a bed sheet, flapped from one window.

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FIND WRECKAGE OF BIG PLANE

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transport was bound from Pearl Harbor, and Clear Lake, an emergency landing place for transpacific planes in pre-war days.

The civilian reports, given to police and sheriff's offices, were relayed to army and navy officers conducting a search for the plane.

James Dougherty, a trapper, who lives five miles west of Calistoga, near the petrified forest, said that at 8 a.m. last Thursday he saw an extraordinary large plane, flying slowly northward at about 1,000 feet altitude.

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5 Minute Relief For Itchy Skin Or Remedy Free

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If Tetterine doesn't relieve skin itching due to Eczema, Ringworm, Surface Rash, Athlete's Foot, Scabies or innocuous insect bites, it costs you nothing. Get Tetterine from any druggist (or direct from the manufacturer) for 60¢, use as directed, and if itching is not relieved in five minutes, keep the 60¢ back to boot. (Adv.)

Fair Enough

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that Communism may succeed Fascism, from which it is indistinguishable, on continental Europe and mention of this possibility is deplored and even suppressed. Yet on the word of the boss Communist of the United States, the Socialist revolution is now the order of business in Europe.

In another document issued by the New York Communist publishing house in February, 1940, entitled, "I Didn't Raise My Boy to be a Soldier for Wall Street," Elizabeth Gurley Flynn wrote: "The best insurance to keep off the bogie man slide into war is an ultimatum to our government: Stay neutral; not a dollar for war. Starve the war, feed America first! We must hurry. Already President Roosevelt has started along the road that led Woodrow Wilson to war."

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SMALLER SCHOOLS GO PLACES WITH CAGE TEAMS

ROVE STADIUM NOT NECESSARY IN BASKETBALL

Little Teams Compile Triumphs With All Speed Of Russian Army

By Harold Claassen
NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—(P)—That a large student body, a roomy field-house, membership in a potent conference or even a huge stadium debt isn't needed to build a basketball reputation is evidenced by the records established this season by some of the smaller schools.

Playing in the shadows cast by their bigger and more widely known brethren, they are compiling triumphs with all the speed of a Russian army.

Right now Bowling Green State and Toledo university, a pair of Ohio schools, have records of 15-1 and 16-1, respectively—and their teams probably are no better nor any worse than those of Western Michigan, Maryville, Mo., Teachers; East Central Oklahoma State; Southwestern, Kans.; Texas Wesleyan; Hamline of St. Paul; Rhode Island State; Glenville, W. Va. State; Western Kentucky; Duquesne; East Washington of Cheney; and Whittier.

Toledo started the season with a new coach, a freshman squad and very little hope.

The new mentor, Burl Friddle, is a product of Indiana, and what the Toledo partisans didn't know was that virtually every member of the bumper fresh-crop was all-something or other in the Hoosier State the previous year.

The all-freshman five knit into a unit in time to hand Dartmouth its only defeat of the year and already Davage Minor, 6-foot, 2-inch negro, is being rated superior to the famed Bob Gerber of a year ago.

Examinations occupied a majority of the nation's cagers the past week and will keep most of them from action again in the coming six days.

However, both Illinois and Indiana battered Iowa to remain deadlocked at the top of the Big Ten standings while Southern California continued its romp in the southern half of the Pacific Coast conference with the flat straight victory over the University of California at Los Angeles.

Kansas, winner of 12 straight before bowing to Camp Crowder, holds its Big Six edge after Iowa State took a surprising wallop from oft-beaten Missouri and Pennsylvania, with seven wins in eight starts, heads the Ivy league with two consecutive triumphs.

George Washington hasn't met its equal in the Southern conference although both Duke and North Carolina State have moved into a three-way tie with idle Virginia Military for second. The Blue Devils and the State five meet at Durham Saturday night.

Kentucky has things its own way in the Southeastern loop and enter-



EDDIE MILLER TO BE LATE IN JOINING SQUAD

Will Remain In Florida Until About April 1 For Climate's Sake

LAKE WORTH, Fla., Jan. 25.—(P)—Shortstop Eddie Miller, principal in one of the winter's biggest baseball transactions, will be a "weather holdout" this spring but it will be with the permission of his new boss, General Manager Warren C. Giles of the Cincinnati Reds.

Miller, obtained by the Reds last month from the Boston Braves, will remain in Florida to take advantage of the climate until about April 1 two weeks after his club begins spring training in Bloomington, Ind., he said today.

"Mr. Giles thinks working out in the sun here will do me more good," said Miller, who is spending the winter here, "and I think I can report April 1 in just about as good condition as if the entire squad trained in Florida."

The Wildcats, the last member unchallenged within the circuit, must run up against fourth-place Vanderbilt at Lexington Tuesday. Then they have a Saturday engagement with improving Alabama, always a tough battle, at Tuscaloosa.

Kentucky assumed an unchallenged lead last week by defeating Georgia, 60-28, and Georgia Tech, 38-37, and climaxed it by halting undefeated Notre Dame, 60-55, with a last-half attack in a non-conference duel. Alabama improved its standing by trimming Vanderbilt, 29-26, and Georgia Tech, 33-25, after dropping the opener of a two-game series to Vandy, 21-27. Vanderbilt also beat Auburn, 59-32, to jump one position.

Mississippi State, perched in third place despite losses to L. S. U. and Tulane last week, will tackle Vanderbilt Friday at Starkville. The 61-40 L. S. U. victory lifted the Tigers into second place. Vandy also has a date with Mississippi at Oxford Saturday.

Auburn plays at Tennessee Friday and at Georgia Tech Saturday. Georgia and Florida, whose two games were cancelled last week, also have cancelled a pair scheduled Monday and Tuesday at Gainesville.

Georgia Tech beat Auburn, 59-52, as the Engineers flopped into a three-way tie for fifth place as a result of the losses to Kentucky and Alabama. Mississippi trimmed Tulane, 37-34, in the other conference engagement last week.

South Dakota during 1939 had a tuberculosis death rate of 26.7 per 100,000 population.

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SHAUGHNESSY EXPECTED TO COACH AT PITTSBURGH

Says He Won't Guarantee To Win Any Game Or Percentage

By Arden Skidmore

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 25.—(P)—Clark D. Shaughnessy, expected to be named shortly as the new football coach at the University of Pittsburgh, declares he is in perfect agreement with Pitt's de-emphasized policy and "will not guarantee to win any game—or percentage of games"—if he takes the job.

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Miller said he plans to work out soon with some high school teams in this area, but has already started a program to get into condition.

"I tossed a few baseballs around the other day," he said. "I am managing to shoot around the 70's in occasional trips around the golf course, and I took a fling at basketball officiating."

Miller, one of the game's best defensive players, handled 148 chances with only 13 errors in 142 games last summer for a .983 fielding average, tops among shortstops, but he hit only .244. He thinks the Cincinnati park may help his hitting.

"That Boston park is tough for anyone to hit in," he declared. "I've always hit fairly well in Cincinnati, and that shorter left field fence might help."

A right hand hitter, Miller was with Cincinnati for brief trials in 1936 and 1937 but had been with the Braves from August, 1938, until he was sold to Cincinnati in a deal that brought the Braves Infelder Eddie Joost, Pitcher Nate Andrews and some cash to boot.

— SPORTS MIRROR —

(By Associated Press)

Today a year ago—Gardner Mulloy defeated Jack Kramer, 3-6, 6-4, 8-6, 6-4, in finals of University of Miami invitational tennis tourney.

Three years ago—Boston Bruins trade 38-year-old Eddie Short to Brooklyn Americans for Eddie Wiesman.

Five years ago—Rae Crowther, line coach for Dick Harlow at Harvard, named line coach at Pennsylvania.

Service Department

You can't tell what will happen to a major league ball player after he signs up with Uncle Sam. Records of the National Semi-Pro Baseball Congress show that Joe Ganzenbein, a weak hitter with the Athletics, socked three consecutive home runs for Fort Riley, Kans., during the 1942 sandlot tournament, but Cecil Travis, ex-Washington cloutier who played for Camp Wheeler, Ga., was only 22nd in the hitting list.

Johnny Coulon, the old bantamweight champ, reports that 57 members of his Chicago gym have joined the armed forces. Captain Ernie Nevers, who used to play with the Chicago Cardinals,

hardly had time to say hello to pals around the Loop after dropping his duffle bag at navy pier before the marines ordered him back to Quantico.

Monday Matinee

Promoters of the new Mexico City race track have sent a representative to New Orleans to see if they can't get Ben Jones to enter Whirlaway in the 100,000 pesos Handicap, May 30.

With snow drifted halfway up the fence of the Milwaukee bell park, the Brewers recently hung out a sign reading: "Next game May 5."

The reason you haven't heard more about the fitness program planned at the December A. A. U. convention is that the paper work takes a lot of time and the standards of performance haven't been compiled for all sports.

Although he's had more than 150 fights, Joey Peralta claims the only time he ever was knocked down was when he was kicked by a horse on his uncle's Arizona ranch. He got up and kicked right back.

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(By Associated Press)

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No. 4 coupons in "A" books are good through March 21.

"A," "B" and "C" coupons are good for three gallons in the 17 eastern states and District of Columbia; four gallons elsewhere. Pleasure use of automobiles and boats powered by gasoline is prohibited in the east.

February 28 is the last date for "B" and "C" motorists to have tires inspected at filling stations, garages and tire shops; March 31 is the deadline for "A" holders. No gasoline or tires will be sold after the deadline to drivers lacking the tire inspection record.

Temporary "T" rations for commercial vehicles will be issued by OPA local ration boards until January 31; thereafter by local ODT offices only to holders of ODT certificates of war necessity. This deadline has been deferred indefinitely for operators who have applied for certificates but have not received them, and those who can show that an appeal from the certificate mileage is pending.

Fuel Oil

Period 2 coupons expire January 27 in zone A, January 26 in zone B, January 25 in zone C; they expired January 23 in zone D. Coupon values: Class 1 (residential) 10 gallons each; class 2 (apartments, hotels, etc.) 100 gallons.

Period 3 coupons are valid until February 22 in zone A, February 20 in zone B, February 18 in zone C and February 19 in zone D. Class 1 coupons in the 17 eastern states are worth 9 gallons, class 2 coupons 90 gallons; in the 13 mid-western states where fuel oil is rationed, class 1 coupons are worth 11 gallons, class 2 coupons 110 gallons.

Period 4 coupons are valid in zone A February 2 to April 17; in zone B January 31 to April 12; in zone C January 27 to April 6; in zone D January 30 to April 6. These coupons are worth 11 gallons each for class 1 and 110 gallons for class 2 in Michigan, Minnesota, Wisconsin, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Iowa and northern Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri and Kansas; 10 and 100 gallons in Kentucky and southern Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri and Kansas; 9 and 90 gallons in the 17 eastern states.

Sugar

Stamp No. 10 is good for three pounds of sugar until January 31.

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Stamp No. 11 becomes valid February 1 for three pounds until March 15.

Coffee

Coupon No. 28 is good for one pound of coffee until February 8. The next coupon is No. 25; its value and expiration date have not been announced.

Bicycles

In the 17 eastern states anyone gainfully employed or doing volunteer work or welfare work may qualify for a bicycle by showing need for one in his work or transportation to work. School pupils anywhere in the country can qualify by showing need in getting to and from school.

Other

Point-rationing of canned, dried and frozen foods starts around March 1, meat about a month later.

SUBMIT SCOUT ANNUAL REPORT

Report Shows Growth Of Council; Scouts Participate in Many Activities

The annual report of Boy Scout activities in the past year has been compiled by Olan Black, director of Scout activities in this area, and the report shows decided steps forward.

The organization and extension committee, of which A. N. Robinson is chairman, reported 76 units with 1,475 boys active at the close of 1942.

Seventeen new troops were organized and eight new cub packs set up. This represents a gain of 20 per cent in Scouts and 32 per cent in cubs for the year, and again the year closed without any units of the Ouachita Valley council lapsed.

The advancement committee, of which L. E. Mathis is chairman, reported that 1,373 merit badges had been awarded during the year. 36 were promoted to Star Scout rank, 38 to Life Scouts, and 31 to Eagle Scouts.

Activities for the year include many war service projects. Scouts have a reported total of 1,596 hours of service according to the report of the camping and activities committee, of which S. K. Heninger is chairman.

28,492 pounds of waste paper, 32,603 pounds of scrap rubber were collected. Other service projects were war savings stamps sales, distribution of price control leaflets, air raid posters and treasurer posters, victory cook collection, USO cooperations, assistance to Junior Charity leagues and at all church and civic club conventions.

SCRAP DEFERMENT

FRESNO, Calif.—(AP)—A Gatling gun in the courthouse yard has been given a temporary reprieve from the war scrapheaf. Harry C. Brown, Spanish War veteran, convinced authorities it had been used in the famous charge up San Juan Hill.

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REQUIRE RADIO MONITOR AIDES

Civilian Posts Are Open Through U. S. Civil Service

Civilian radio intercept officers, to work with the army air forces in effecting radio silence during air alarms, are sought by the United States civil service commission, C. E. Thornhill, local civil service secretary announced.

Positions in the federal communications commission are located throughout the United States. Duties are to monitor radio stations during periods of radio silence, conduct tests to check efficiency of control, maintain a continuous watch on distress channels and perform other monitoring assignments, Mr. Thornhill explained.

Salaries range from \$2,000 to \$2,600 plus overtime. Applicants must be able to transmit and receive in International Morse code at the rate of 15 to 20 words a minute. Two to four years of appropriate college training in engineering, or in physics; or one to four years of appropriate radio technical experience are needed to qualify, Mr. Thornhill said.

Provision is made for acceptance of amateur experience, or a course in a recognized radio institute for part of the required experience or education. There is no written test and no maximum age limit.

Marked urgent on the list of federal employment opportunities received by Mr. Thornhill were the positions of stenographer and typist.

Federal agencies in Washington, D. C., make a new plea for clerical help," Mr. Thornhill said, urging women to heed this call for war workers, and emphasizing the salary raise to \$146 a month for inexperienced appointees and to \$164 a month for stenographers with two years experience.

To replace its enlisted military personnel who can qualify for combat duty, the army seeks high school graduates with technical or skilled trade experience or one year of college work to fill the position of instructor at \$2,600 a year plus overtime compensation. Women are especially urged to apply, although they have no mechanical experience. The army air force technical school will train them.

Information and forms for applying for these positions may be obtained at any first or second class postoffice. Persons engaged in war work of equal skill need not apply.

SEEK STIMULATION OF FAT COLLECTION

Various civic clubs in this area are being contacted in the W.P.B. drive to stimulate the collection of kitchen fats. Reluctance, indifference, indecision, complacency or procrastination on the part of those at home form the foundation and super structure of defeat for our boys on the fighting fronts.

Kitchen fats are urgently and desperately needed for the war effort.

Local meat dealers will accept and pay four cents a pound for waste fat. The need for the savings of these waste materials is great for the following reasons:

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Fat is a major food necessity. By saving and getting the full use of our waste fats, we shall be relieving the demand for edible fats on the market and increasing the supply of glycerine which is vitally needed for the war effort.

It is now becoming apparent in this part of the world that reestablishment of Allied control over the Mediterranean will be of incalculable assistance to the final campaign against Japan.

Waste grease from roasts, steaks, chops, poultry, fish, vegetables, soups, broiler drippings, and all frying fats are equally important. Solid fat may be salvaged by rendering kitchen accumulations.

To prepare waste fats for delivery to your meat dealer, strain into any clean metal container. Do not use glass containers. Cooking fat should never be heated to the boiling point.

INDIAN GAIN
NORMAN, Okla.—(AP)—John Collier, United States commissioner of Indian affairs, says in a book published by the University of Oklahoma press that the Indian population of the United States has increased 34 per cent since 1890. He estimates there now are 350,297 Indians in this nation.

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The War Today

EDITOR'S NOTE: After travelling in India for several weeks following a visit to Chungking, China, DeWitt Mackenzie returns from New Delhi his regular column, "The War Today."

By DeWitt Mackenzie

NEW DELHI, Jan. 22—(Delayed)—

Looking at the world through the big end of a telescope—that is, across the flaming battlefields of Europe and Africa towards the ultimate battlefields of Asia—it seems increasingly clear that this India from which I am writing will be needed as a major base—perhaps the major base—for defeat of the Oriental Huns.

That is a fact which we shouldn't let the smoke of the European conflict to obscure for one moment. It is vital to the Allied cause.

The point is that in order to uplift and drive the Mikado's forces from the continent into the sea it will be necessary to recapture Burma and use that back door to China to equip Chiang Kai-Shek's armies. India will be at once the arsenal and strategic jumping off place for this grand finale.

Thus it is good to receive authoritative assurances such as have been given me that India's security as a base is insured. They tell me that it is being held safe, both as regards internal and external threats, unto the day when the Allied high command is ready to deal finally with shotgun militarism.

I have reported previously in this column that big military personages here express the confidence that the danger of a successful Japanese invasion no longer exists.

Now we have further important information. Qualified quarters assure me that the authorities also have the internal situation securely in hand after six months of political disturbances since the breakdown of negotiations over Sir Stafford Cripps' proposals for dominion status for India.

So far as concerns the military position there is no indication, either, that the Japs intend to try invasion or that if they did that they would be successful.

India has a right to feel secure in that respect.

As to the political situation, the statement that things are wholly in hand undoubtedly represents a studied view of authorities. Certainly they are the ones who should know better than any one else what the exact state of affairs is and their apparent confidence is reassuring.

Still, even though things may indeed be well in hand, I am bound to say that the position would be much happier if the political differences were eliminated.

This is a crucial moment when good will and unity of effort are essential and those things are lacking among various parties to the controversy. In that sense India cannot be the same effective military base which it would be were political difficulties solved.

Just when India will be called upon for its supreme war effort is perhaps something which even the Allies high command cannot predict with certainty right now. Of course, operations are being conducted continually against the Japs in Burma and neighboring territory but it wouldn't be surprising if a grand offensive were not staged until Hitler has been knocked out.

Our Oriental allies apparently are becoming reconciled to this viewpoint although disagreeing with the policy of making defeat of the Axis in Europe the initial objective. Anyway, I find they do understand the military reasoning which deigned Hitler as enemy number one, and the recent Allied successes in Russia and Libya have made this reasoning much more acceptable in the Orient.

It is now becoming apparent in this part of the world that reestablishment of Allied control over the Mediterranean will be of incalculable assistance to the final campaign against Japan.

Suppose, for the sake of argument, that an all-out drive against the Mikado does not come until next fall. Will China be able to hold out until then?

I believe so, barring some wholly unexpected development in the meantime.

It should be borne in mind that actually there has been little warfare on a big scale in China for a long time. Things have been largely at a standstill.

If the Japanese should undertake some new offensive—and there's no present indication of anything big—the Chinese have lots of space to swap for time. Quite apart from that the Chinese are a gallant race and have fully demonstrated that they intend to fight the war to complete victory.

Naturally, the longer the Allies are compelled to delay the final assault on Japan the more difficult it may be to conquer the barbarians of the rising sun.

We must remember that quite apart from Japan proper there is a vast army of Japs swarming China and another big contingent holding that Burmese back door.

Now the Jap soldier isn't like other humans. Providing he is equipped with offensive weapons, he's more or less self sufficient. Take him by the scruff of the neck and chuck him into a strange land and he will find food and shelter for himself. He goes to ground like a rat and it's mighty hard to dig him out.

So we undoubtedly will find a tough job on our hands when we finally start in to clean house out here. Still it can be done, all right.

As far as China is concerned she surely will expect to provide manpower for the job, although obviously she will need much equipment from the Allies.

By Willard



SOLDIER MAIL POSTAGE GIVEN

Regular Letter Goes At Same Rate In And Out Of U. S.

Because of numerous requests for

information regarding the sending of

mail to members of the armed forces

both in the continental United States

and in foreign countries, the post-

office has issued the following state-

ment:

1. All regular mail (not air mail)

to members of the armed forces

within the continental United

States requires five cents per

ounce.

2. Air mail within the continental

United States requires six cents per

ounce.

3. The maximum weight of parcels

to be sent to any person in the

continental United States is the same

as usual, 70 pounds, this includes those

to members of the armed forces.

4. All regular mail (not air mail)

served to members of the armed forces

serving in foreign countries

requires five cents per

ounce.

5. All air mail addressed to mem-

bers receiving their mail via any of

the above A. P. O.'s is chargeable at

the rate of six cents per half ounce.

Note: This is the only instance

where postage rates applicable are

separated to the half ounce and one

ounce, hence requires but six

cents. However, if it weighs over one-half

ounce and not over an ounce, 12 cents

is charged.

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